
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 73

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1996

Part III

Family Credit, Disability Working Allowance, Income Support and Housing Benefit

Family credit

16. In the Family Credit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(1)—

- (a) in regulation 13(1)(c)(2) (calculation of income on a weekly basis) for “£40” there shall be substituted “£60”;
- (b) in regulation 46(4) (determination of appropriate maximum family credit) the capital sum prescribed is £3,000;
- (c) in regulation 46(4), (5) and (6) the amount specified for the credit in respect of a child or young person is nil;
- (d) in regulation 47(1) (applicable amount) for “£73·00” there shall be substituted “£75·20”;
- (e) in paragraph 19(b) of Schedule 2(3) (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) for “£9·20” there shall be substituted “£9·25”;
- (f) in Schedule 4 (determination of maximum family credit) the sums prescribed shall be increased so as to have effect as set out in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Disability working allowance

17. In the Disability Working Allowance (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992(4)—

- (a) in regulation 15(1)(c)(5) (calculation of income on a weekly basis) for “£40” there shall be substituted “£60”;
- (b) in regulation 51(4) (determination of appropriate maximum disability working allowance) the capital sum prescribed is £3,000;
- (c) in regulation 51(4), (5) and (6) the amount specified for the allowance in respect of a child or young person is nil;
- (d) in regulation 52(1) (applicable amount)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (a) for “£54·75” there shall be substituted “£56·40”, and

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- (1) S.R. 1987 No. 463; relevant amending provisions are S.R. 1992 No. 403, S.R. 1993 No. 373, S.R. 1994 Nos. 77 and 274 and S.R. 1995 Nos. 71, 86 and 223
 - (2) Sub-paragraph (c) was added by regulation 3(3)(b) of S.R. 1994 No. 274
 - (3) Paragraph 19 was substituted by regulation 3(14)(a) of S.R. 1994 No. 77 and amended by Article 16(d) of S.R. 1995 No. 71 and regulation 4(7)(c) of S.R. 1995 No. 86
 - (4) S.R. 1992 No. 78; relevant amending provisions are S.R. 1993 No. 373, S.R. 1994 Nos. 77 and 274 and S.R. 1995 Nos. 67, 71 and 223
 - (5) Sub-paragraph (c) was added by regulation 4(2)(b) of S.R. 1994 No. 274

- (ii) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£73·00” there shall be substituted “£75·20”;
- (e) in paragraph 19(b) of Schedule 3(6) (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) for “£9·20” there shall be substituted “£9·25”; and
- (f) in Schedule 5 (determination of appropriate maximum disability working allowance) the sums prescribed shall be increased so as to have effect as set out in Schedule 3 to this Order.

Applicable amounts for income support

18.—(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Income Support Regulations shall be the sums set out in paragraphs (2) to (13) of this Article and the Schedules thereto; and for this purpose references in this Article to numbered regulations or Schedules are, unless the context otherwise requires, references to the regulations of, or Schedules to, the Income Support Regulations bearing those numbers.

(2) In regulations 17(1)(b), 18(1)(c), 21(1) and 71(1)(a)(ii), (b)(ii) and (iii), (c)(ii) and (d)(i), in paragraph 14(a) of Part III of Schedule 2 and in paragraph 1(2) of Part I of Schedule 4, the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

(3) The sums specified in Part I of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be increased and those paragraphs in that Part of Schedule 2 where such a sum is specified shall have effect as set out in Schedule 4 to this Order.

(4) In paragraph 3 of Part II of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: family premium) for “£10·25” there shall be substituted “£10·55”.

(5) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 5 to this Order.

(6) In paragraph 18(1) of Schedule 3(7) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)—

- (a) in head (a) for “£30·00” there shall be substituted “£32·00”; and
- (b) in head (b) for “£5·00” there shall be substituted “£6·00”.

(7) In paragraph 18(2) of Schedule 3—

- (a) in head (a) for “£74·00” there shall be substituted “£76·00”;
- (b) in head (b) for “£74·00”, “£111·00” and “£10·00” there shall be substituted “£76·00”, “£114·00” and “£12·00” respectively; and
- (c) in head (c) for “£111·00”, “£145·00” and “£14·00” there shall be substituted “£114·00”, “£150·00” and “£16·00” respectively.

(8) In paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 4 (applicable amounts of persons in homes for persons in need and nursing homes) for “£227·00” there shall be substituted “£234·00” and those sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount which are specified in Schedule 4 shall be increased and those paragraphs in that Schedule where such a sum is specified shall have effect as set out in Part I of Schedule 6 to this Order.

(9) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (8) of this Article, the sums specified in Schedule 4 are those set out in Part II of Schedule 6 to this Order.

(10) Those sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount which are specified in Schedule 7 (applicable amounts in special cases) shall be increased and those paragraphs in that Schedule where such a sum is specified shall have effect as set out in Part I of Schedule 7 to this Order.

(6) Paragraph 19 was substituted by regulation 2(7)(a) of [S.R. 1994 No. 77](#) and amended by Article 17(d) of [S.R. 1995 No. 71](#)

(7) Schedule 3 was substituted by regulation 2 of, and Schedule 1 to, [S.R. 1995 No. 301](#) and paragraph 18 was amended by regulation 2(3)(j) of [S.R. 1995 No. 434](#)

(11) Except as provided in paragraph (10) above, the sums specified in Schedule 7 are those set out in Part II of Schedule 7 to this Order.

(12) The sums specified in any provision of the Income Support Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 8 to this Order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

(13) In paragraph 19(b) of Schedule 9(8) (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) for “£9·20” there shall be substituted “£9·25”.

Income support transitional protection

19. Sums which are special transitional additions to income support payable in accordance with regulation 15 of the Income Support (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(9) shall be increased by 3.0 per cent. of their amount apart from this Order.

The relevant sum for income support

20. In section 125(7) of the Contributions and Benefits Act(10) (trade disputes) for “£25·00” there shall be substituted “£26·00”.

Housing benefit

21. In the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(11)—

- (a) in regulations 16(b) and 17(c) and in paragraph 14(a) of Part III of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts), in so far as they relate to rent, the sum specified in each case is £3,000;
- (b) in regulation 63 (non-dependant deductions)—
 - (i) in paragraph (1)(a)(i) for “£30·00” there shall be substituted “£32·00”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (1)(b)(i) for “£5·00” there shall be substituted “£6·00”,
 - (iii) in paragraph (2)(a) for “£74·00” there shall be substituted “£76·00”,
 - (iv) in paragraph (2)(b) for “£74·00”, “£111·00” and “£10·00” there shall be substituted “£76·00”, “£114·00” and “£12·00” respectively, and
 - (v) in paragraph (2)(c) for “£111·00”, “£145·00” and “£14·00” there shall be substituted “£114·00”, “£150·00” and “£16·00” respectively; and
- (c) in Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges)—
 - (i) in paragraph 1A(12) for “£16·60”, “£16·60”, “£8·40”, “£11·00”, “£11·00”, “£5·55” and “£2·00” there shall be substituted “£17·10”, “£17·10”, “£8·65”, “£11·35”, “£11·35”, “£5·70” and “£2·05” respectively, and
 - (ii) in paragraph 5(2) the sums specified are £9·25, £1·15, £0·80 and £1·15 respectively.

(8) Paragraph 19 was substituted by regulation 4(9)(b) of S.R. 1994 No. 77 and amended by Article 18(13) of S.R. 1995 No. 71 and regulation 2(12)(c) of S.R. 1995 No. 86

(9) S.R. 1987 No. 460; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1988 Nos. 132 and 153, S.R. 1989 No. 371 and S.R. 1991 No. 341

(10) Section 125(7) was amended by Article 20 of S.R. 1995 No. 71

(11) S.R. 1987 No. 461; relevant amending provisions are S.R. 1988 No. 314, S.R. 1989 No. 125, S.R. 1990 No. 136, S.R. 1992 Nos. 85 and 549, S.R. 1993 No. 381, S.R. 1994 No. 74 and S.R. 1995 Nos. 71 and 84

(12) Paragraph 1A was inserted by regulation 7(b) of S.R. 1988 No. 314 and amended by regulation 8 of S.R. 1989 No. 125